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Claims 31-43 and 50-63 are pending in the subject application. By this Amendment, claim 37 has been canceled, without prejudice. Accordingly, claims 31-36, 38-43, and 50-63 are currently before the Examiner. Favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication in the outstanding Office Action that claims 31-36, 38-43, and 50-63 are allowable.

Claim 37 is rejected under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The Examiner asserts that FIV strains *Dtx*, *UK8*, *Aom1*, and *Aom2* are not readily available to the public and, therefore, the subject specification does not provide adequate written description of the claimed invention. Applicant respectfully asserts that there is adequate written description for all of the FIV strains recited in the subject application and that the strains are accessible to the public. However, in order to expedite prosecution of the subject application to completion, Applicant has canceled claim 37. Thus, the rejection is rendered moot. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, is respectfully requested.

Claims 37, 42, and 43 are rejected for "obviousness type" double patenting over claims 2 and 4 of U.S. Patent No. 5,846,825. Applicant respectfully asserts that the claims are not obvious over the cited patent. However, in order to expedite prosecution of the subject application to completion, Applicant has submitted a Terminal Disclaimer with this Amendment which obviates this rejection. In addition, claim 37 has been canceled, without prejudice. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

It should be understood that the amendments presented herein have been made solely to expedite prosecution of the subject application to completion and should not be construed as an indication of Applicant's agreement with or acquiescence in the Examiner's position.

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments to the claims, Applicant believes that the currently pending claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

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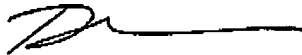
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §§1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

Applicant invites the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

Respectfully submitted,



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